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TAGS: ETRN, UK

SUBJ: PROPOSED VISIT TO US BY HIGH-LEVEL BRITISH RAIL
TEAM

1. BRITISH RAIL (BR) HAS BEEN INVITED BY MCDONNELL DOUGLAS TO SEND HIGH-LEVEL TEAM TO ST. LOUIS HEAD-QUARTERS TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITIES OF LICENSING ARRANGEMENT TO PRODUCE BR'S ADVANCED PASSENGER TRAIN (APT) IN US. BR IS CONSIDERING TAKING UP MCDONNELL DOUGLAS INVITATION IN LATE FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH BUT, IF POSSIBLE, WOULD LIKE TO COMBINE VISIT WITH PRESENTATION ON APT CONCEPT TO SECRETARY AND UNDERSECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION. ACCORDINGLY. THEY HAVE ASKED US TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER SECRETARY AND/OR UNDERSECRETARY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SUCH A PRESENTATION AND, IF SO, WHETHER THEY WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR HIGH-LEVEL BRIEFING IN TIME FRAME PROPOSED. AS MATTER OF INTEREST, BR STATES THAT IT EXPECTS TO HAVE RUN APT PROTOTYPE AT 150 MPH BY MID-FEBRUARY AND WILL HAVE RESULTS OF THESE HIGH-SPEED TESTS AVAILABLE AT TIME OF VISIT.

2. BR TEAM WOULD BE COMPOSED OF: RICHARD MARSH, CHAIRMAN- DR. SIDNEY JONES, MEMBER, ENGINEERING AND RESEARCH- GRAHAM CALDER, CHIEF, MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING; ALAN WICKENS, DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH LABORATORIES- PAUL CAUTLEY' CHIEF ECUTIVE, STRATEGY
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3. BR ADVISES IT IS NEAR SIGNING CONTRACT WITH FEDERAL RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION ON APT TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND MAY BE ABLE TO CONCLUDE THIS ARRANGEMENT DURING US VISIT. BR WILL ALSO USE VISIT TO RESPOND TO AMTRACK REQUEST, MADE THROUGH UK EMBASSY, FOR DETAILS CONCERNING BR'S HIGH-SPEED DIESEL TRAIN. BR ALSO TENTATIVELY PLANNING VISITS TO BOEING, ROHR, AND DOT TEST CENTER AT PUEBLO WHILE IN US.

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